

Interview Summary

Application No.

10/801,342

Applicant(s)

HWANG ET AL.

Examiner

Suchira Pande

Art Unit

1637

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Suchira Pande.

(3) Mr. Robert Buchanan.

(2) Teresa Strzelecka.

(4) Dr. Hyun Jin Hwang

(5) Dr. Jeong Hee Kim.

Date of Interview: 07 January 2008.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☒ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☒ Yes e) ☐ No.

If Yes, brief description: Inventors had brought a functional prototype of PCR machine and actual structural components of the PCR machine were discussed.

Claim(s) discussed: 8.

Identification of prior art discussed: yes.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Examiners identified the structural features that distinguish the prototype PCR apparatus from the cited prior art. Guidance were provided regarding the possible amendments to claim language so that it will reflect the structural features that are integral to the claimed apparatus. Applicants will send in a supplemental amendment so Examiner will wait to receive that before examining the case.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Suchira Pande Jan 7 '2008
Examiner's signature, if required